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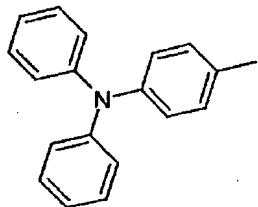
IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1 and 22 have been amended, and claims 4-5, 9-11 and 15 have been canceled without disclaiming their subject matter.

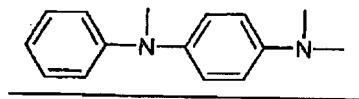
1 1. (Currently Amended) A photoluminescence quenching device comprising a chemical
2 compound, comprising:

3 an electron donor group at one end of the chemical compound, the electron donor group
4 is selected from the group consisting of carbazole, thiophene, compounds of formulas 1a through
5 1d, thiophene, and oligomers thereof:

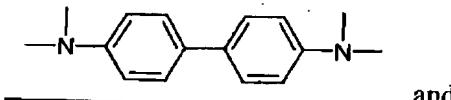
6 [Formula 1a]



7 [Formula 1b]



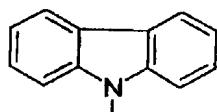
8 [Formula 1c]



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[Formula 1d]

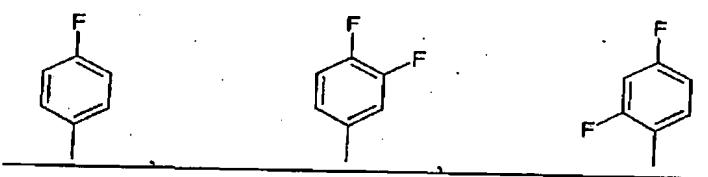
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14 an electron acceptor group at the other end of the chemical compound, the electron
15 acceptor group selected from the group consisting of monosubstituted phenyl, disubstituted
16 phenyl, trisubstituted phenyl, imide and anhydride of aromatic polycarboxylic acid, oxazole, a
17 fused cyclic system, a compound having a chemical basic structure selected from the group
18 consisting of a fluorine-substituted phenyl group, a nitro-substituted phenyl group, a cyano-
19 substituted phenyl group, imide and anhydride of perylenetetracarboxylic acid and a substituted
20 compound thereof, imide and anhydride of naphthalenetetracarboxylic acid and a substituted
21 compound thereof, oxadiazole and a substituted compound thereof, oxazole and a substituted
22 compound thereof, and a fluorenylidene moiety and a substituted compound thereof, and the
23 following compounds of formulas 3a through 3m:

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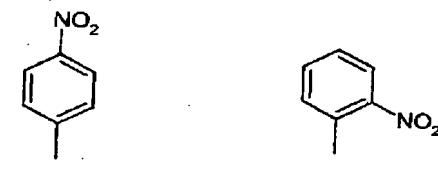
[Formula 3a][Formula 3b][Formula 3c]

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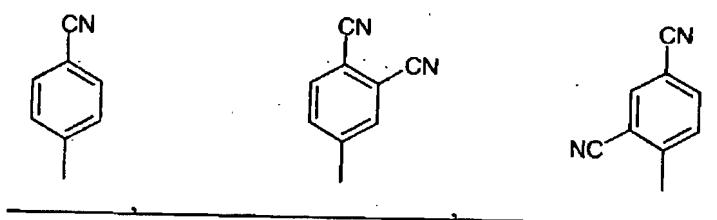


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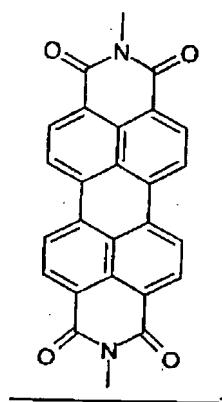
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[Formula 3d] [Formula 3e]

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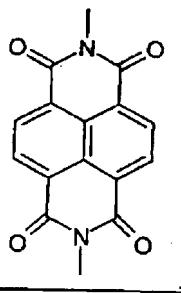
[Formula 3f] [Formula 3g] [Formula 3h]

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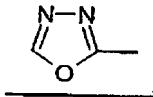
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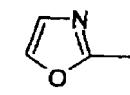
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[Formula 3j]

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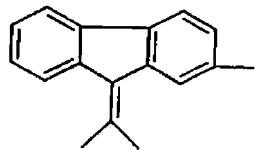
[Formula 3k]

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[Formula 3l]

, and

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[Formula 3m]

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; and

40 a conjugated bridging element, said electron donor group and said electron acceptor
 41 group linked to each other via said conjugated bridging element,
 42 wherein said chemical compound has a readily displaceable electron, a dipole character is
 43 present only in the excited state, and said chemical compound is capable of emitting

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44 photoluminescent radiation, and the photoluminescent quenching device generates
45 photoluminescent light by using exterior light and is capable of auto-emitting photoluminescent
46 light when light is sparse or absent.

1 2. (Canceled)

1 3. (Canceled)

1 4. (Canceled)

1 5. (Canceled)

1 6. (Previously Presented) The photoluminescence quenching device according to claim 1,
2 wherein the conjugated bridging element has a π -conjugated carbon bond.

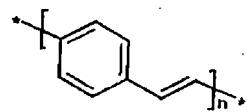
1 7. (Previously Presented) The photoluminescence quenching device according to claim 6,
2 wherein the π -conjugated carbon bond is included in an organic polymer with a chemical basic
3 structure selected from the group consisting of a phenylenevinylene moiety in the form of a
4 monomer, an oligomer, a polymer and a substituted product thereof, a phenylene moiety in the
5 form of a monomer, an oligomer, a polymer and a substituted product thereof, a fluorene moiety
6 in the form of a monomer, an oligomer, a polymer and a substituted product thereof, a vinylene

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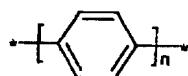
7 moiety in the form of a monomer, an oligomer, a polymer and a substituted product thereof, an
8 ethynylene moiety in the form of a monomer, an oligomer, a polymer and a substituted product
9 thereof, an anthranylene moiety in the form of a monomer, an oligomer, a polymer and a
10 substituted product thereof, a naphthylene moiety in the form of a monomer, an oligomer, a
11 polymer and a substituted product thereof.

1 8. (Previously Presented) The photoluminescence quenching device according to claim 6,
2 wherein the conjugated bridging element is selected from the group consisting of formulas 2a
3 through 2g:

4 [Formula 2a]



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6 wherein n is a number ranging from 1 to 20,
7 [Formula 2b]

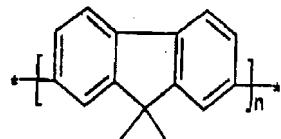


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9 wherein n is a number ranging from 1 to 20,

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[Formula 2c]

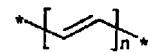


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12 wherein n is a number ranging from 1 to 20,

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[Formula 2d]



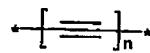
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15 wherein n is a number ranging from 1 to 20,

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[Formula 2e]

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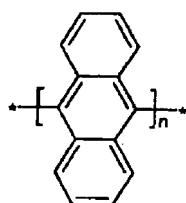


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wherein n is a number ranging from 1 to 20,

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[Formula 2f]



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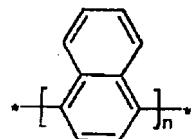
21 wherein n is a number ranging from 1 to 20, and

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[Formula 2g]

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wherein n is a number ranging from 1 to 20.

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9-11. (Cancelled)

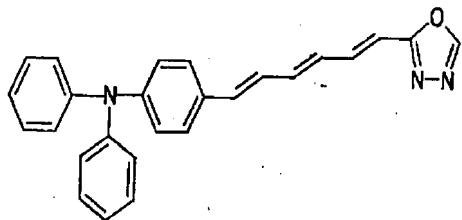
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12. (Previously Presented) A compound, selected from the group consisting of the
2 following compounds of formulas 4a through 4c:

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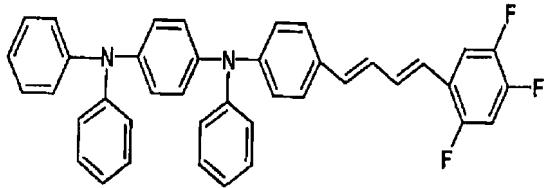
[Formula 4a]

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[Formula 4b]

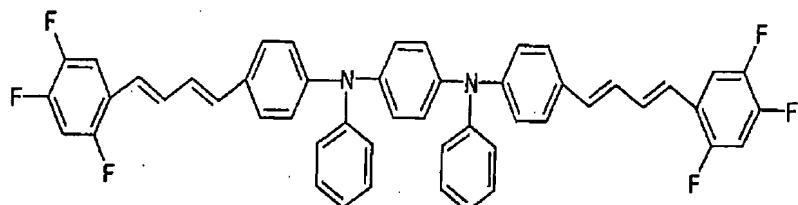


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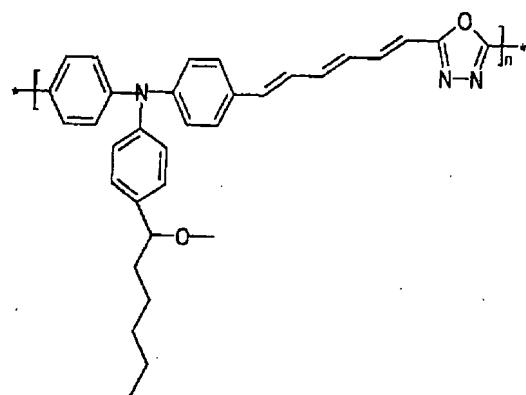
7 [Formula 4c]



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1 13. (Previously Presented) A compound, selected from the group consisting of the
2 following compounds of formula 5a through 5c:

3 [Formula 5a]



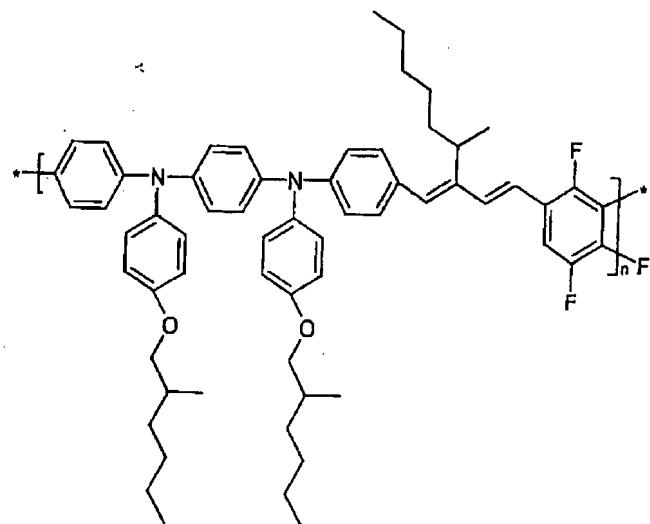
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5 wherein n is a number ranging from 100 to 2,000,

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[Formula 5b]

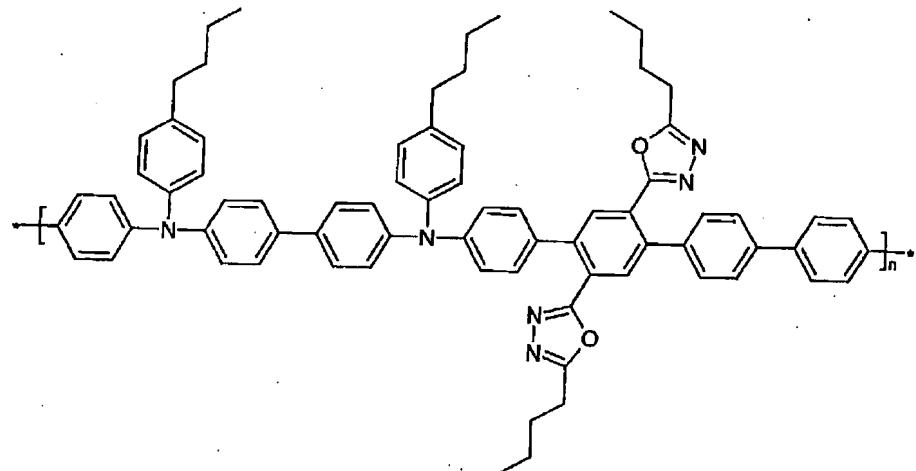


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8 wherein n is a number ranging from 100 to 2,000, and

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[Formula 5c]



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11 wherein n is a number ranging from 100 to 2,000.

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1 14. (Previously Presented) The photoluminescence quenching device according to claim
2 1, wherein the electron donor group is an aromatic amine or a fused cyclic system, the
3 conjugated bridging element has a π -conjugated carbon bond, and the electron acceptor group is
4 selected from the group consisting of monosubstituted phenyl, disubstituted phenyl, trisubstituted
5 phenyl, imide and anhydride of aromatic polycarboxylic acid, oxazole, and a fused cyclic system.

1 15. (Canceled)

1 16. (Canceled)

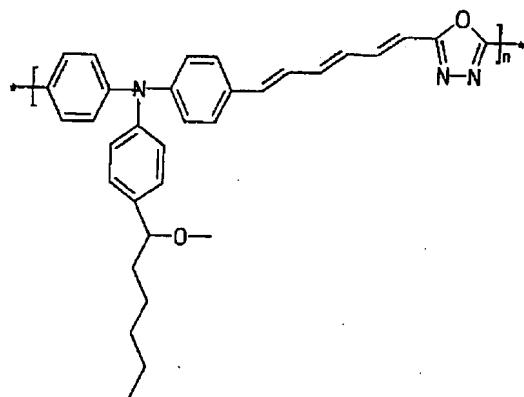
1 17. (Previously Presented) The photoluminescence quenching device according to claim
2 1, wherein an required electric field to quench half of photoluminescent radiation emitted
3 without an electric field is less than 1.5×10^8 V/m.

1 18. (Previously Presented) A photoluminescence quenching device, comprising:
2 a glass substrate;
3 a layer of conductive transparent indium-tin oxide (ITO) on said glass substrate;
4 a layer of poly(ethylenedioxythiophene)/polystyrenesulfonic acid conductive polymer
5 with a layer thickness of from 30 to 100 nm on said layer of conductive transparent indium-tin-
6 oxide;

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7 an emitter polymer layer having a thickness of from 50 to 150 nm, said emitter polymer
8 layer having a material selected from the group consisting of the following compounds of
9 formula 5a through 5c:

10 [Formula 5a]



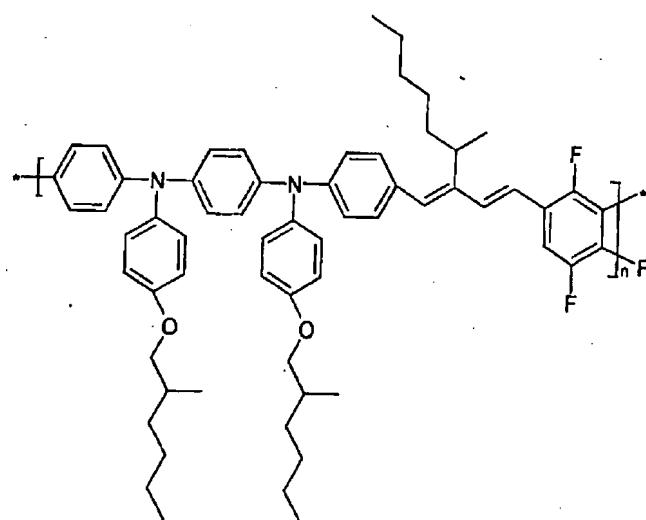
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12 wherein n is a number ranging from 100 to 2,000,

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[Formula 5b]

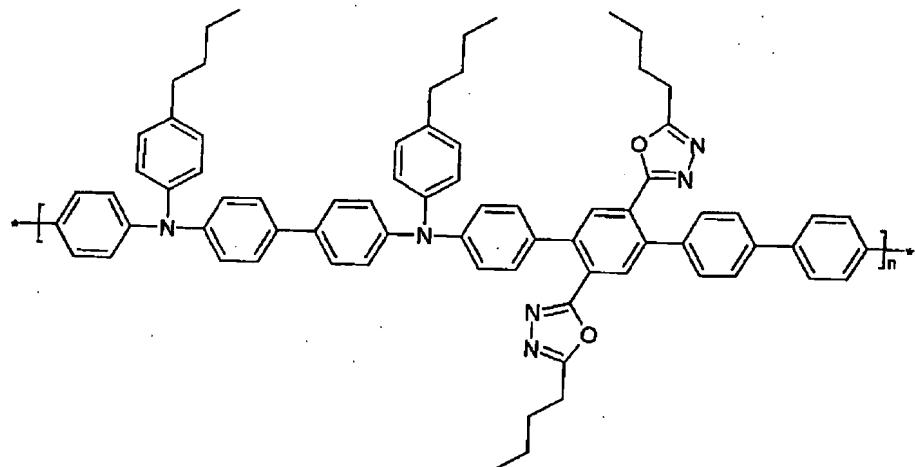


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15 wherein n is a number ranging from 100 to 2,000, and

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[Formula 5c]



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wherein n is a number ranging from 100 to 2,000;

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19 a metal contact; and
20 an aluminum layer with a layer thickness of from 50 to 200 nm.

1 19. (Original) The photoluminescence quenching device according to claim 18, further
2 comprising an insulating film between the metal contact and the aluminum layer.

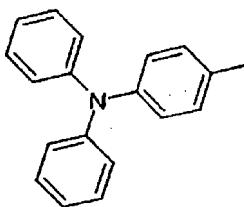
1 20. (Original) The photoluminescence quenching device according to claim 18, wherein
2 more than half of photoluminescent radiation is suppressed when applying a voltage of 15 volts.

1 21. (Canceled)

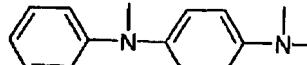
1 22. (Currently Amended) A photoluminescence quenching device, comprising:
2 two metal films; and
3 a chemical layer embedded between the two metal films, the chemical layer comprised of
4 a compound having:
5 an electron donor group at one end of the compound, the electron donor group is
6 selected from the group consisting of carbazole, thiophene, compounds of formulas 1a
7 through 1d, thiophene, and oligomers thereof:

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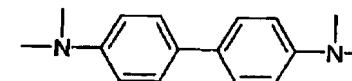
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[Formula 1a]

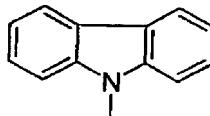
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[Formula 1b]

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[Formula 1c]

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[Formula 1d]

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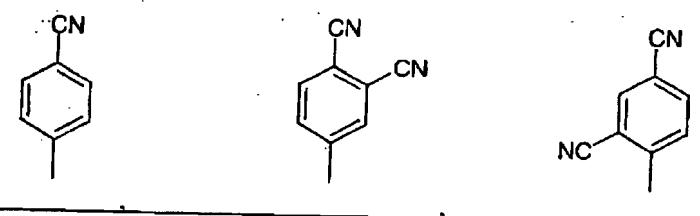
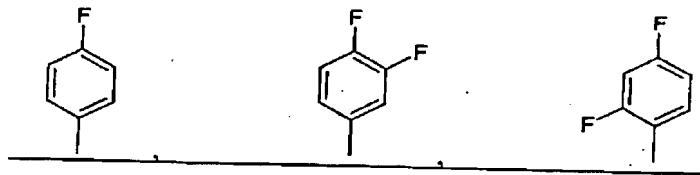
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16 an electron acceptor group at the other end of the compound, the electron acceptor
 17 group selected from the group consisting of monosubstituted phenyl, disubstituted phenyl,
 18 trisubstituted phenyl, imide and anhydride of aromatic polycarboxylic acid, oxazole, a
 19 fused cyclic system, a compound having a chemical basic structure selected from the
 20 group consisting of a fluorine-substituted phenyl group, a nitro-substituted phenyl group,
 21 a cyano-substituted phenyl group, imide and anhydride of perylenetetracarboxylic acid

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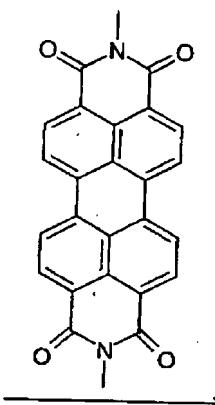
22 and a substituted compound thereof, imide and anhydride of naphthalenetetracarboxylic
23 acid and a substituted compound thereof, oxadiazole and a substituted compound thereof,
24 oxazole and a substituted compound thereof, and a fluorenylidene moiety and a
25 substituted compound thereof, and the following compounds of formulas 3a through 3m:

26 [Formula 3a] [Formula 3b] [Formula 3c]

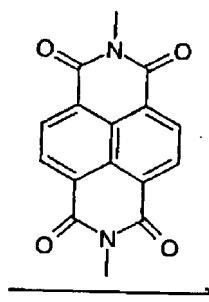


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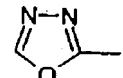
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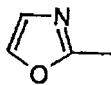
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[Formula 3k]

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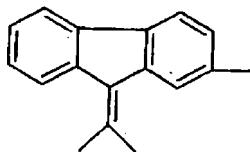
[Formula 3l]

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[Formula 3m]

41 _____; and

42 a conjugated bridging element, said electron donor group and said electron
43 acceptor group linked to each other via said conjugated bridging element,
44 said compound having a readily displaceable electron, a dipole character being present
45 only in the excited state, said compound being capable of emitting photoluminescent radiation,
46 wherein the photoluminescent quenching device generates photoluminescent light by
47 using exterior light and is capable of auto-emitting photoluminescent light when light is sparse or
48 absent.

1 23. (Previously Presented) The photoluminescence quenching device according to claim
2 1, wherein the electron donor group is an aromatic amine or a fused cyclic system.

1 24. (Previously Presented) The photoluminescence quenching device according to claim
2 1, wherein the electron donor group is selected from the group consisting of triphenylamine,
3 phenylenediamine and benzidine.